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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that the following references, which are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, be made of record in the above-identified case.

1. U.S. Patent No. 5,323,899, dated June 28, 1994, issued to Strom et al.;
2. Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application No. 58-172905, dated November 18, 1983;

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3. Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application No. 1-204014, dated August 16, 1989;
4. Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application No. 5-56486, dated August 19, 1993;
5. Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application No. 4-81711, dated March 16, 1992;
6. Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application No. 1-138522, dated May 31, 1989;
7. Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application No. 4-35850, dated August 25, 1992;
8. Japanese laid-Open Patent Application No. 10-274743, dated October 13, 1998; and
9. German Patent Application No. DE 197 48 795A1, dated May 20, 1998.

10. U.S. Patent No. 6,371,907, dated April 2002, issued to Hasegawa, et al.
11. U.S. Patent No. 6,036,636, dated March 2000, issued to Motoki, et al.
12. U.S. Patent No. 5,531,664, dated July 1996, issued to Adachi et al.
13. U.S. Patent No. 5,876,326, dated March 1999, issued to Takamura, et al.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d), copies of the above listed references are not provided, as references 1-9, were previously submitted to the Examiner in an Information Disclosure Statement filed March 15, 2001 and references 10-13 in connection with parent case, U.S. Serial Number: 09/808,807 filed on March 15, 2001.

Consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement is respectfully  
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